## HOUSE BILL 2834 By Campfield

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to the general assembly.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 3-1-1\_\_\_.

- (a) No person elected to the office of representative or senator shall serve more than twelve (12) consecutive years in the house to which such person was elected.
- (b) For the purpose of calculating the twelve-year limitation, the beginning date shall be the date of the November general election in 2006.

(c)

- (1) After serving twelve (12) consecutive years as a representative, a person shall be eligible to run for election as a senator for a term commencing at the end of such person's term as a representative. However, such person shall not be eligible to run for re-election or be appointed to serve as a representative until after the expiration of one (1) year following the end of such person's service as a representative.
- (2) After serving twelve (12) consecutive years as a senator, a person shall be eligible to run for election as a representative for a term commencing at the end of such person's term as a senator. However, such person shall not be eligible to run for re-election or be appointed to serve as a senator until after the

expiration of two (2) years following the end of such person's service as a senator.

(d) The time served by any person elected or appointed to serve less than a full term to fill a vacancy shall not be included in calculating the twelve-year limitation of this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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